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# News Release

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## August Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 867 million pounds of milk during August, up 4.1 percent from a year ago, according to the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. The daily rate per cow was 68.4 pounds, up 0.2 pounds from August 2014. The dairy herd was estimated at 409,000 head for August, up 15,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 23 major States during August totaled 16.3 billion pounds, up 0.8 percent from August 2014. The daily production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 61 pounds in August, 0.2 pounds above August 2014. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.63 million head, 43,000 head more than August 2014, but unchanged from July 2015.

### Milk production, August

Commodity	Michigan			23 Major States		
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
Cows .....1,000 Hd	381	394	409	8,523	8,585	8,628
Daily rate per cow .....Pounds	66.1	68.2	68.4	59.7	60.8	61.0
Production .....Mil lbs	781	833	867	15,773	16,184	16,316